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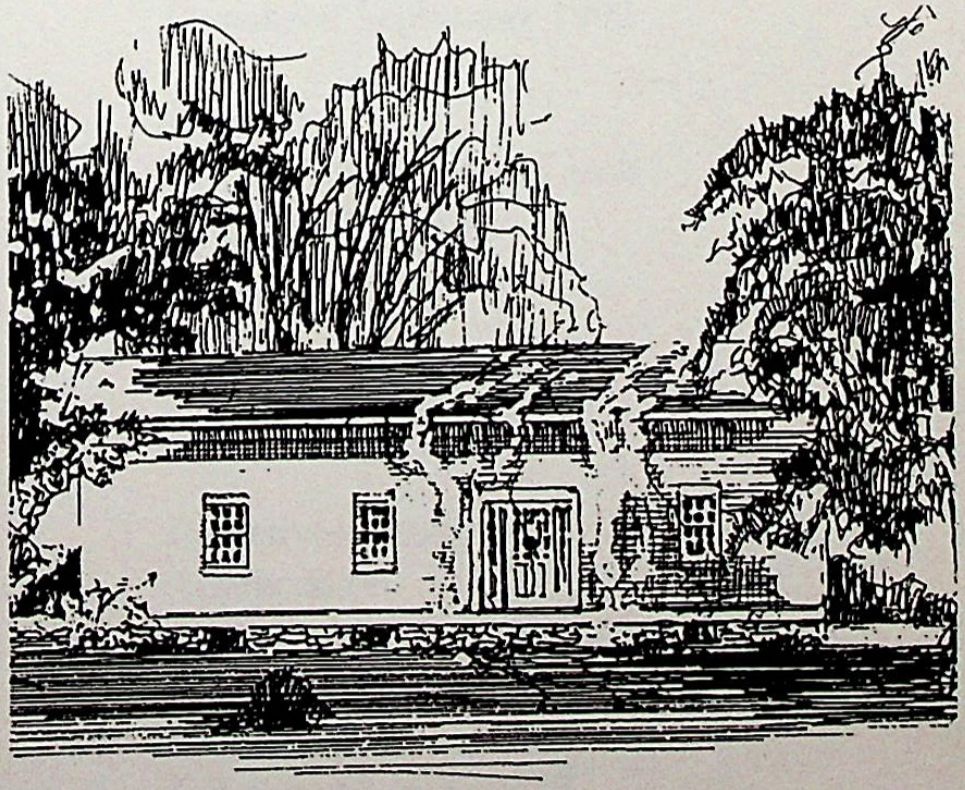

Long Grove, Iowa

1837-1838

Chapter #1229

Brownlie Sod House

Organized September 1992

Meetings
Second Wednesday of each
month at 9:30 AM or
as specified

1994-1995
Yearbook

Objectives: Study and
Appreciation

Motto: It's Fun to
Seek and a Joy to Find
Colors.: Blue & Gold

## "WHAT'S IN A NAME"

The Brownlie Sod House stands along the north edge of the long grove of trees for which the town of Long Grove, Iowa was named. It was built in 1837 or 1838 when three Brownlie brothers, James, Alexander and William came from Scotland via Canada and settled here. It is unique in that it is a two story sod, and believed to be the only one like it in the Midwest.

Alexander Brownlie was a stone mason by trade and took pride in his work. This accounts for the method of using dirt and prairie grass to build his adobe-like home. We find the Brownlie Sod House a fitting name for our group as our first informative meeting was held there in September 1992. The house is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

1994 - 1995 Officers

President: Ruby Ferris
Vice Pres: Helen Muhs
Secretarty: Annabelle DeCock
Treasurer: Janet Nagle

Committees

Program
1994 - 1995: Helen Muhs, Marlene Lage, Ruby Ferris

1995 - 96: Program Chairman Vice President Elect, Jeanette Korthaus, Bev Keppy

Historian: Inez Stoltenberg

Publicity: Lois Nagle

Nominating Committee for 1995 - 96: Laura Baughman, Jean Carlin, Marge Casel

Past Presidents:

Helen Muhs 1992 - 93
Helen Muhs 1993 - 94

SE Area Day - Bettendorf, IA
Fall of 1997

Brownlie Sod House #1229
Annie Wittenmeyer #737
Juncion Collectors #1185
Pearls of Wisdon #1186
Walnut Grove #1251

International Convention
St. Louis, Mo.
May 11, 1995

1994 - 1995 Programs

Sept. 14, 1994 - 9:30 AM
Hostess: Marlene Lage
Co-Hostess: Carol Roukey

Roll Call: What help can I offer with restoration of "Brownlie Sod House"?

Discussion on Chapter Donations

Christmas Ornament
PROGRAM; FOSTORIA
SE Area Meeting: Keokuk Oct. 8, 1994
Local Money Project for "Prairie Market"
October 21 & 22, 1994 The Sod House

October 12, 1994 - 9:30 AM
Hostess: Helen Muhs
Co-Hostess: Dorothy Curtis
Roll Call: "Old Fashion Etiquette"
Program: Antique Crafts

November 9,1994: 9:30 AM

Hostess: Marian Behrens
Co-Hostess: Marlene Lage

Roll Call: My most valuable antique I own.

Program: Quilts thru the years and dating fabrics

December 14, 1994: 9:30 AM
Hostess: Bev Keppy
Co-Hostess: Sandy Brus
Roll Call: As A Quester I'd like to do something special at Christmas.

Program: Sleds and Sleighs

"Brighten up the life of someone else always puts a shine on your face."

January 1995: 9:30 AM
Hostess: Eunice McCubbin
Co-Hostess: Annabelle DeCock

Roll Call: A Moving Experience

Program: Speaker Pat Swearinger "Swanky Swigs"

February 1995: 9:30 AM
Hostess: Donna Glover
Co-Hostess: Helen Muhs
Roll Call: I'd like to have a program on?

Program: American
Indian Artifacts

"There's no wrong way to
do the right thing."

March 1995: 9:30 AM

Hostess: Carol Roukey
Co-Hostess: Jean Carlin
Roll Call: I like to get my antiques through...

Program: Tour "Abbey Hotel"
1401 Central Ave., Bettendorf, IA
Possible Tour of Private Homes

Reminder of dues $20.00
Nominating Committee
announces candidates for
95 - 96

Annual Chapter Report Due April 1, 1994

April 1995: 9:30 AM

Hostess: Janet Nagle
Co-Hostess: ~~Lora Baughman~~
Roll Call: I'd like to see _____ restored

Election of Officers

1995 State Day - Ottumwa April 1, 1995

Program: Slide Presentation: "Old Rocking Chairs"

May 1995: 9:30 AM
Hostess: Jeanette Korthaus
Co-Hostess: Inez Stoltenberg
Roll Call: Favorite Crockery Piece

Program: Crockery

June 1995: 9:30 AM
Hostess: Sandy Ewoy Brus address ??
Co-Hostess: Bev Keppy
Roll Call: Where are my Grandparents buried?

Installation of Officers 95 - 96
Program: Glassware
"Art Glass"

Handout 1996-1997 Programs
July, August, vacation

Volunteer Hours